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SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Did the Government arrange for their training and did they depute them with stipend or salary?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : I would like to have notice, Sir.

Veterinary College Students

* 84 *Q.*—DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any report about the misbehaviour of some Veterinary College students with some school girls on 26th August 1962 at Tirukalikundram;

(*b*) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : (*a*) No.

(*b*) The question does not arise.

Basic Education

* 85. *Q.*—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the system of basic education in the State has been received;

(*b*) if so, the findings of the Committee; and

(*c*) the action taken or proposed to be taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) & (*c*) The report is under examination of the Government.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Is it a fact, Sir, that the Government find it difficult to convert all schools into basic schools within the target period of ten years fixed by them?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : I would like to have notice. The whole question is under examination.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Is there any proposal to take the salient features of the basic education scheme and incorporate them into the present system of primary education?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : That is exactly the general idea not only with this Government but with the Central Government also.

Compensatory allowance

3-10 p.m. * 86 *Q.*—SRI M. RAJAH IYER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Rameswaram town in the Rameswaram island is considered 'an expensive locality' for the purpose of sanction of local compensatory allowance to Government servants;